

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 and 22 were pending when last examined, all of which stand rejected except Claim 12 and Claims 14-16, which were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the claims from which they depend.

Claim 12 has been rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of Claim 1, and is now in condition for allowance. Claim 1 has been canceled. Claims 2, 4-8, 10, 13, and 17-20, which originally depended from Claim 1, have been rewritten to depend from Claim 12 and are therefore allowable for the same reason Claim 12 is allowable.

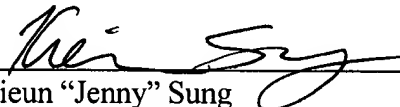
Claims 14 and 15 have been rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of Claims 1 and 13 from which they originally depended. Claim 16, which depends from Claim 15, is allowable for the same reason Claim 15 is allowable.

Applicant believes that claims 2-20 are in condition for allowance. If the Examiner wishes to discuss any aspect of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' undersigned attorney at 650-320-7536.

Any fee due for this Amendment may be charged to Deposit Account No. 07-1896.

Respectfully submitted,

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**ATTACHMENT A**  
(marked-up version of Claims)

**Please amend the following claims as shown below:**

2. (Twice Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein the vehicle further comprises a base on which, viewed in a traveling direction A, at its one end the first lifting device and at its other end the second lifting device is disposed.
4. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein the picker-carrying device and the pallet carrying device are, in plan view, disposed opposite one another.
5. (Twice Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein the vehicle is rail-mounted.
6. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein the picker-carrying device further comprises a circumferential crash guard for the picker.
7. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein, above the order pallet, the pallet-carrying device comprises a terminal for displaying the picking positions.
8. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein the picker-carrying device further comprises a dead man's switch.
10. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein the pallet-carrying device comprises a load receiving means for receiving and delivering the order pallet.
12. (Amended) An apparatus for picking articles situated on retrieval pallets in a pallet rack, the apparatus comprising a vehicle capable of traveling along the picking front of the pallet rack and having a first lifting device with a height-adjustable picker carrying device for the picker and having a second lifting device with a height-adjustable pallet-carrying device for an order pallet, wherein the picker-carrying device and the pallet carrying device are positionable heightwise relative to the respective retrieval position independently of one another [The

apparatus according to claim 1], wherein the pallet-carrying device comprises a sensor device for determining the degree of charging of the order pallet.

13. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein the travel of the vehicle and of the lifting devices to the respective retrieval positions and/or transfer positions is controllable by means of a control computer.

14. (Amended) An apparatus for picking articles situated on retrieval pallets in a pallet rack, the apparatus comprising a vehicle capable of traveling along the picking front of the pallet rack and having a first lifting device with a height-adjustable picker carrying device for the picker and having a second lifting device with a height-adjustable pallet-carrying device for an order pallet, wherein the picker-carrying device and the pallet carrying device are positionable heightwise relative to the respective retrieval position independently of one another,

wherein the travel of the vehicle and of the lifting devices to the respective retrieval positions and/or transfer positions is controllable by means of a control computer, and

[The apparatus according to claim 13,] wherein the height of the picker-carrying device at the respective retrieval position is controllable on the basis of the residual stock quantity of the articles on the retrieval pallet.

15. (Amended) An apparatus for picking articles situated on retrieval pallets in a pallet rack, the apparatus comprising a vehicle capable of traveling along the picking front of the pallet rack and having a first lifting device with a height-adjustable picker carrying device for the picker and having a second lifting device with a height-adjustable pallet-carrying device for an order pallet, wherein the picker-carrying device and the pallet carrying device are positionable heightwise relative to the respective retrieval position independently of one another,

wherein the travel of the vehicle and of the lifting devices to the respective retrieval positions and/or transfer positions is controllable by means of a control computer, and

[The apparatus according to claim 13,] wherein the height of the pallet-carrying device at the respective retrieval position is controllable on the basis of the degree of charging of the order pallet.

17. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim [13] 12, wherein the heights preset by the controller are manually correctable by the picker.

18. (Twice Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein the traveling movement of the vehicle and the lifting movements of the lifting devices are optionally effected simultaneously.

19. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein the picker-carrying device comprises a standing seat for the picker.

20. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim [1] 12, wherein the power transmission to the vehicle is effected via a contact line.